

Fiche Online!: A Vision for Digitizing All Fiche Documents

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Many Drawers of Docs Fiche

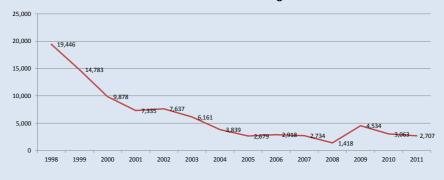


Brief History of Fiche Distribution

- •1977 GPO first used fiche
- •Mid/late 1980s fiche accounted for 60% if depository distribution
- •1991/1994 Regionals received an average of 67,000 fiche each year

Kessler, Ridley R. 1996. A brief history of the federal depository library program: A personal perspective. *Journal of Government Information* 23 (4): 369-80.

No. of Fiche Distributed According to DDM2



Debate at the University of Denver







When asked about FDLP microfiche distribution, both candidates seemed to fall flat with their responses.

All Docs in Storage







All University of Denver documents, including fiche, are in a remote storage facility.

Penrose Library Renovation



In light of the upcoming renovation of Penrose Library, I submit this report denoting impacts of the renovation on documents processing, delivery of service, and impacts to the public.

Name of Institution: University of Denver, Penrose Library (Depository 0071A)

Expected Dates of Closure: July 15, 2011 through December 31, 2012. Penrose Library will be closed for 18 months for renovation. During that time all materials (including depository materials) will be housed in off-campus high density remote storage, Library services (including documents reference services to the public) will be in the Driscoll student center ballroom, a large on-campus facility.

Plan for check-in of new materials: We currently receive very few item numbers that generate tangible receipts (0150 Statistical Abstract; 0154-0 Stat-USA content; 0394 Astronomical Almanas; 0556-C Special reports various agencies (required), 0557-A MOCAT Serial Set Numerical Lists; 0577 US Government Manual; 0854-A NAICS; 0909-0-01 Handbook of North American Indians; 0931-A USC; 1004-E Serial Set special reports (required); 1004-E-0-10 Constitution analysis; 1004-E-02 Constitution analysis). We will continue to process materials in the same way we have since our documents



Reopening Early 2013



Project Ownership

The Colorado Alliance of Research Libraries



- This project is not a University of Denver project, but it is a project of the Colorado Alliance of Research Libraries. The University of Denver is the initiator of the project and todate is doing 100% of the workload.
- I first proposed this project in January 2010 in a presentation to the Alliance, but became distracted with the renovation of our library.

Defining the Scope: Some Fiche Series Already Digitized — Overlook These

- NASA Reports (NAS 1.15:; NAS 1.26:; NAS 1.60:)
- GAO Reports
- ERIC Documents (hopefully these will be restored soon)
- DTIC Reports
- Energy Bridge
- Selected EPA Reports
- Office of Technology Assessment (Y 3.T 22/2:)
- Others

Project Would Focus on Series Where Substantial Numbers of MARC Records Exist in the CGP

- A 13.78: Forest Service Research Papers
- A 13.88: Forest Service General Technical Reports
- A 92.9/ Dept of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service
- C 55.13: NOAA Technical Reports
- C 55.214 NOAA Climatological Data
- D 103.2: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers general publications
- I 19.76: USGS Open-File Reports
- I 29.2 National Park special reports (limited release)
- Y 3.P 31: U.S. Institute of Peace documents

Rule In / Rule Out

- Focus of project will be materials for which there are records in the CGP. This rules out things such as:
 - PREX 7.10: Foreign Broadcast Information Service (FBIS) documents
 - PREX 7.13: Joint Publications Research Service (JPRS) documents
- Rule out series where vendor records exist:
 - Congressional Reports and Documents in the Serial Set
 - Congressional Hearings

Focus of this project is documents series that haven't been digitized before

- ID those areas using our ILS reporting.
- Import all fiche records into a Microsoft Access database.
- Focus on Records that contain no link to online content.

I built-up a master database by exporting records from the library ILS

 85,788 fiche records. These are bib records, not individual fiche. In some cases a record has multiple fiche holdings attached to it.



SuDocs - OCLC - Title - URL - Al.107:505 26334033 Developing an integrated information system for the foo Al.107:594 25703898 Structural and financial characteristics of U.S. sugar beet Al.107:602 25821640 Economic effects of mandatory production controls Al.107:606 25821640 Economic effects of banning soil fumigants Al.107:606 25821692 Water quality benefits from the Conservation Reserve Pr Al.107:609 25825572 The agricultural work force of 1987 Irrigated acreage in the Conservation Reserve Program Al.107:616 269934548 Resource policy subsidies and the GATT negotiations Structural change in U.S. farmland Structural change in U.S. farmland

 A 1.107:618
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 Implementing the Conservation Reserve Program

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 Metropolitan growth and agriculture:

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 Economic returns to boll weevil eradication

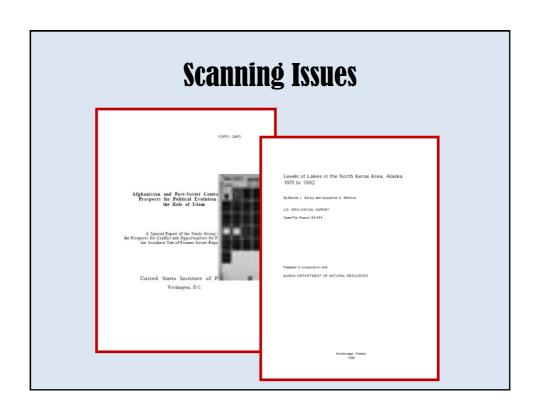
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 Reevaluation of the beef carcass-to-retail weight conver

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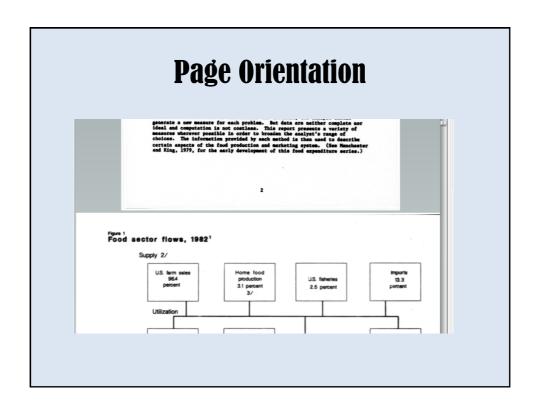
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A 1.107:647 26787791 Climate change:
A 1.107:648 26787808 Hired and contract labor in U.S. agriculture, 1987:
A 1.107:649 26787818 Loan repayment problems of farmers in the mid-1980's

A 1.107:634 25703916 Water allocation tradeoffs
A 1.107:635 26339256 Seven farm input industries
A 1.107:641 26830075 Apple import demand
A 1.107:642 26832672 Cattle feeding, 1962-89



Obvious Problem: Second Generation

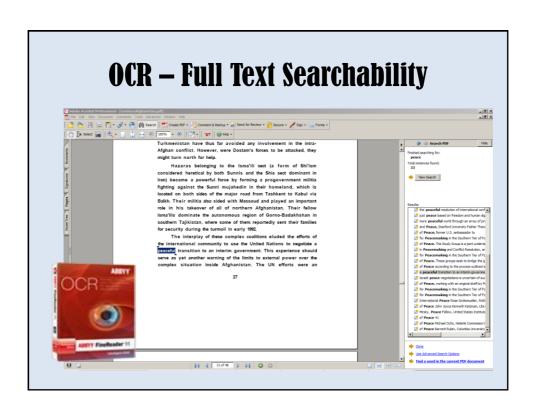
- Trying to make digital copies of fiche is challenging because the fiche master is itself a copy.
- Limitations on how much you can correct.
- Sometimes you just have to say, "this is as good as it gets."

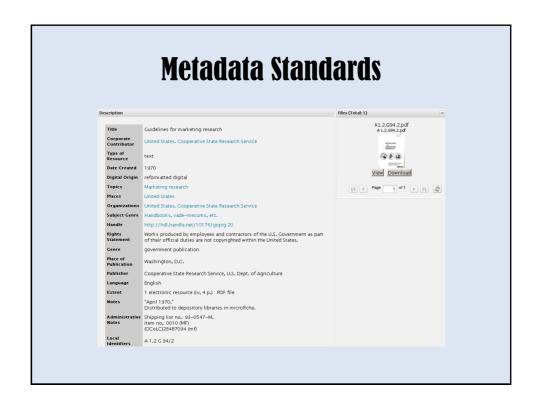


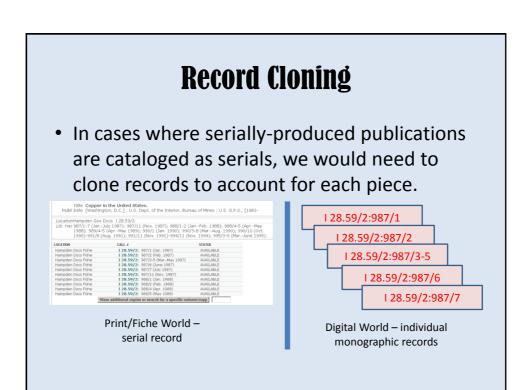
Bad Microform Scans Yield Bad Digital Scans

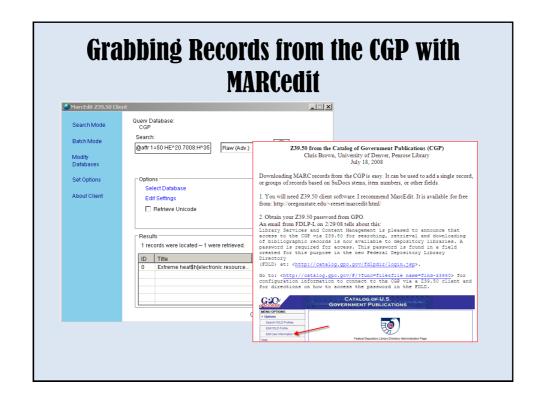
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Catalog Record Distribution

- Z39.50 harvesting
- FTP record pickup

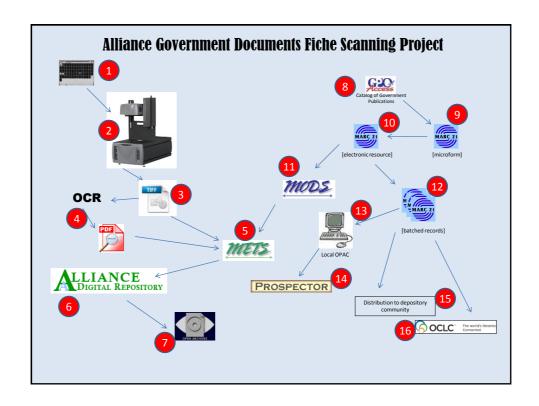
OCLC (you can pay for it if that's what you

want!)

Field	Use Value
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Series Title	5
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Year	31
ISBN	7
ISSN	8
System Number	12
OCLC Number	1007
LCCN	9
Stock Number	1028
SuDoc Number *	50
Item Number **	1224
Notes	63
PURL (LPS#)	1032
Record Date and Time Stamp (005)	1012

What is Unique About this Project?

- Record distribution model. We plan to make records available in batches pickup (perhaps via FTP). Records could also be harvested via OIA-PMH protocols. In addition, records would be in OCLC.
- Collaborative scanning model. We may open up the project so that other depositories could contribute scanned/OCRed content. Not certain of this yet.



Notes to above chart, part I



- Most depositores have more and more drawers of documents fiche used less and less.
- 2. Fiche are scanned on a variety of machines. The Alliance purchased a Sunrise 3 in 1 Speedscan. We also use a ScanPro 2000 scanner.
- 3. Scanner outputs TIF images.
- 4. TIF images are scanned and OCRed with ABBYY Finereader, and PDFs are produced.
- 5. TIFs and PDFs and combined with metadata into a METS envelope.
- 6. The METS envelope is deposited in the Alliance Digital Repository.
- 7. The project is open access and will be exposed to search engines.

Notes to above chart, part II



- The Catalog of Government Publications is the source of the records. This way we are using records that we don't have to pay for.
- Microform records will be harvested from the CGP using Z39.50 protocols and our depository password (see http://www.fdlp.gov/home/repository/doc_view/226-cgp-via-z3950-configuration-and-fags-handout).
- 10. Microform records converted to electronic records.
- 11. From these MARC records MODS metadata is created and packed in with the METS envelope (see 5. above).
- The MARC electronic format records will be batched for loading into local ILS systems.
- In the case of the University of Denver, these records will be discoverable in our local OPAC.
- In addition records will be discoverable in Prospector, the Colorado union catalog.
- Record batches will be eventually available for delivery or pickup by interested libraries.
- 16. Records will also be contributed to OCLC for libraries that wish to pay for them.

Naming the Project

- Federal Access to Reports, Technical & Scientific – maybe not a good name
- · Another Life: Federal Fiche Online
- URL (may change): http://gopig.coalliance.org





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